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## General Comment

I Protest against the renewal of Roundup and it's ingredients which have already been banned IN MANY COUNTRIES.

Monsanto, it's maker, does not care about the devastating loss of our Bee population from the spraying of Roundup and other Poisons they make which are killing our living pollinators : Monsanto has many thousands of Genetic -markers for all fruits and vegetables , which they can reproduce in their labs, and become the RICHEST Company in the world by Killing the Honey bees and butterflies ( where have all the Monarch butterflies gone?) and being able to replace them artificially.

Honey bees are quickly disappearing from the US - a phenomenon that has left scientists baffled. But new research shows that bees exposed to common agricultural chemicals while pollinating US crops are less likely to resist a parasitic infection.

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As a result of chemical exposure, honey bees are more likely to succumb to the lethal Nosema ceranae parasite and die from the resulting complications.

Scientists from the University of Maryland and the US Department of Agriculture on Wednesday published a study that linked chemicals, including fungicides, to the mass die-offs. Scientists have long struggled to find the cause behind the Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD), in which an estimated 10 million beehives at an average value of \$200 each have been lost since 2006.

Last winter, the honey bee population declined by 31.1 percent, with some beekeepers reporting losses of 90 to 100 percent of their bee populations. Scientists are concerned that "Beemageddon" could cause the collapse of the \$200 billion agriculture industry, since more than 100 US crops rely on honey bees to pollinate them.

The new findings are key in determining one of the causes of the CCD, but they fail to explain why entire beehives sometimes die at once.

UMD and DOA researchers found that pollen samples in fields ranging from Delaware to Maine contained nine different agricultural chemicals, including fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and miticides. One particular sample even contained 21 different agricultural chemicals. To test their theory, they fed pesticide-ridden pollen samples to healthy bees and then infected them with the parasite. They found that the pesticides hindered the bees' abilities to resist the infection, thus contributing to their deaths.

he EPA has failed us and these are some of the reasons why.

DO NOT RENEW ROUNDUP AND OTHER PESTICIDES that ALL of Europe, China and Russia , Peru, and many more have already stopped..